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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1773** 

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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### I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 31, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-3 and 10 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 5 and 11 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 1 and 10 are amended.

Applicants express their appreciation for the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 5 and 11.

### II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

#### III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)